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I have the honour to refer to the composition of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL).

The Government of Norway will be withdrawing its infantry battalion from UNIFIL at the end of November 1998. The Government of India has agreed to make available an infantry battalion to replace the Norwegian contingent.

Following the usual consultations, I propose that India be added to the list of Member States providing military personnel to UNIFIL.

I should be grateful if you would bring this matter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(Signed) Kofi A. ANNAN

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